

## Preface

This TC provides a training program for the 50,000-pound Rough-Terrain Container Handler according to AR 600-55. It provides standardized training and testing in the operation, maintenance, and safety of this vehicle. It stresses hands-on training with very little classroom instruction and does not include any theater-unique requirements. Also during the development of this TC, it was assumed that each driver candidate would have a state driver's license, have completed accident avoidance training according to TC 21-305, and possess an OF 346 (stamped as a learner's permit).

The lesson content for this training program is arranged sequentially and separated into four chapters (Chapters 4, 5, 6, and 7). Chapter 4 contains training for the overall use of the 50,000-pound RTCH. Chapter 5 and Chapter 6 contain training for the 50,000-pound RTCH (Chapter 5 [with tophandler] and Chapter 6 [with containers]). Chapter 7 contains training for HAZCOM safety. Testing is contained in Chapter 8. Appendix A contains the paper transparencies cited throughout the lesson outlines and Appendix B contains the Force Protection Annex. All training should be annotated on DA Form 348 (or ULLS-generated DA Form 348-E) according to AR 600-55.

To provide effective training, each instructor should ensure his operators are trained and tested to the standards in this TC. Any deviation from the successful completion of these basic standards will only lessen the soldiers overall driving effectiveness.

Graduates of this training program (licensed drivers) should be supervised until they have gained the experience to safely operate the 50,000-pound Rough-Terrain Container Handler. They should not be placed in situations that may be above their skill level. Periodically, the supervisor should ride with each driver to observe safe operating procedures and to determine the need for additional training.

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Unless this publication states otherwise, masculine nouns and pronouns do not refer exclusively to men.